

Bolesney, Mark T 76

1972

CONF008495

DYKES_I_006366

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 6/29/76

FULL NAME Mark Thomas Bulshey
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 37 Fuller Street

CITY North Adams STATE Massachusetts ZIP CODE 01247

DATE OF BIRTH June 22, 1954 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 22 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Catholic NATIONALITY American

OCCUPATION Production Department - Sprague Electric Company

EDUCATION Graduate - Drury High School, North Adams

WEIGHT 150 lbs. COLOR white HEIGHT 5'8"

COLOR OF HAIR Brown COLOR OF EYES Blue-Gray

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS None

MARRIED OR SINGLE Single CHILDREN None
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

WIFE'S NAME -

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
--------	------	-------	--------	-----------------	---------------

See attached list

SPECIAL RECOGNITION Eagle Scout

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> CONVICTION OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SUBSTANTIATED REPORTS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OFFICIAL CHARGES OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT (REVIEW) | <input type="checkbox"/> UNSUBSTANTIATED REPORTS |

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND INDIVIDUAL FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE AND LIST SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

GREAT TRAILS COUNCIL, Inc.
574 MAIN STREET
DALTON, MASS. 01226

Signed *Robert B. Ward*
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council _____

CONF008496

DYKES_I_006367

uting Connections:

Troop 34	North Adams, Mass.	Scout	10/65 - 10/72
Troop 34	North Adams, Mass.	Assistant Scoutmaster	10/72 - 1/73
Troop 108	North Adams, Mass.	Assistant Scoutmaster	12/73 - 2/75
Troop 125	North Adams, Mass.	Scoutmaster	2/75 - 6/9/76

CONF008497

DYKES_I_006368

July 16, 1976

Mr. Robert B. Wood
Scout Executive
Great Trails Co. No. 243

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: Mark Thomas Bulshey
Scoutmaster, Troop 125

Dear Mr. Wood:

Thank you for the detailed letter, signed statements and the confidential record sheet we received from Mr. David Pool, District Executive of your Council. We have placed the information on file pertaining to Mark Thomas Bulshey. This is exactly the type of material we require for our Confidential File and we appreciate Mr. Pool getting it for us.

Sincerely,

af

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration & Subscription Service

*PROBATION
272
05/27/76 12/10/76*

CONF008498

DYKES_I_006369



GREAT TRAILS COUNCIL, INC. #243

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

574 MAIN STREET

DALTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01226

413-684-3542

July 1976

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration and Subscription Service
Boy Scouts of America
North Brunswick, NJ 08902

Dear Paul,

██████████ called me on June 7, 1976 (the dates in my first letter were wrong) and explained that he was aware of sexual advances made by Mark Bulshey to his son, ██████████. I made arrangements to meet with them on June 8th.

██████████ explained that Mark had talked with her about becoming the S.P.L. about 3 months ago. Since that time, he has called very frequently and talked for long periods. She felt that this was strange. She explained that two months ago, the troop changed its meeting place from the American Legion Post to a barn at 681 E. Main Street Ext.

██████████ then told me that Mark would occasionally grab his genitals while they were fixing up the barn. Mark, ██████████ and ██████████ did most of the work. The three boys are patrol leaders. ██████████ was not sure if Mark ever did the same to the other boys while they were working.

The troop went camping Memorial Weekend, May 28-31. Since ██████████ was ██████████, he was allowed to sleep in Mark's camper trailer. No other adults were along. ██████████ said that Mark wanted to give him a rub down. While he was doing this, he tried to get in ██████████ bunk with his sleeping bag. Finally, ██████████ gave in and let Mark pull down his underwear and masturbate him even though he had protested. Mark wanted ██████████ to do the same to him, but he refused. This was the end of the incident.

██████████ said that the next day he told ██████████ that he wouldn't sleep in Mark's trailer any longer. ██████████ said that possibly ██████████ and ██████████ had been involved with Mark, but he was not sure.

After about a week ██████████ told his mother. She and her husband called me. ██████████ feels that the ██████████ and the ██████████ were not aware of what was happening.

Scouting is financed by the United Ways and Community Chests of Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin Counties and Sustaining Memberships.



CONF008499

DYKES_I_006370

Mr. Paul Ernst
July 1976
Page 2

Mark did not threaten [redacted] not to tell anyone.

Bert Sprague, Commander of Post 175, and I talked with Mark on the 9th in the evening. Bert relieved Mark of being the Scoutmaster. Mark immediately denied everything and went to call his parents and the committee chairman, Mrs. [redacted]. I felt I should talk with another boy at this point.

I went to see [redacted] and told him the problem. He called in his son, [redacted] and we talked with him. I asked [redacted] to tell me about Mark and anything unusual that might have happened between him and Mark. I reworded this several times, but finally had to explain what homosexuality was. He finally understood and told me that Mark often grabbed his genitals and those of other boys while on campouts. He said Mark made jokes about "your ding-a-ling, my ding-a-ling".

Nothing happened to [redacted] while they were all working on the barn. He did remember [redacted] telling him that he did not want to sleep in Mark's trailer again. [redacted] also said that Mark would grab the boys' breasts occasionally.

[redacted] had worried about Mark acting funny while they were working on the barn. I asked [redacted] and he mentioned he thought that Mark's temper had caused most of the Scouts to leave the troop. The troop has lost thirteen Scouts in the last month. I asked [redacted] earlier about this and he felt they had not left because of sexual advances made by Mark.

[redacted] then told me that during the Memorial Weekend campout they had collected toads. While [redacted] (slightly retarded according to [redacted]) was in the bathroom, they put them in his sleeping bag at Mark's urging. All the boys were sent to their tents and told to sing and make noise so that [redacted] would not hear the toads until he returned. When [redacted] returned, he got undressed and got in his sleeping bag. He began laughing at the toads and Mark began placing them in his undershirt and underpants.

Mark called while I was at the [redacted] [redacted] would not let him talk to [redacted] a Scout, called next, but I'm not sure why. Finally, Mrs. [redacted] called. I was talking with her when Mark's father got on the line. I explained to him what I had done in talking with the Scouts. He wanted to know what was said, but I felt it was only Mark's business. He said Mark wanted them to know. I then called Bob Wood and relayed all the information to him. It was felt a meeting with the head of the sponsor, the chairman, Mark's parents, Mark and myself was necessary.

CONF008500

DYKES_I_006371

Mr. Paul Ernst
July 1976
Page 3

I saw Bert Sprague the same evening and we set up the meeting for 10:00 p.m. the same evening. I explained the whole story to everyone. Mark denied everything but the toad incident. Bert told Mark he was no longer Scoutmaster, and that if he wished to pursue it any further, he would have to take the initiative.

We have not heard from Mark after this last meeting as to any other cause of action. There is some question as to which nights these incidents occurred and how many nights [REDACTED] slept in Mark's trailer. The stories by the two boys do collaborate somewhat, so I feel the placing of Mark's name in the confidential file is necessary.

Sincerely,



David D. Pool
District Executive

-nmb

CONF008501

DYKES_I_006372

Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] Son - [REDACTED]
North Adams, MA 01247 [REDACTED]

Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and David Pool met on June 8, 1976. This is basically what was told to Mr. Pool:

Mrs. [REDACTED] explained that Mark had talked with her about [REDACTED] becoming the S.P.L. about 3 months ago. Since that time, he has called very frequently and talked for long periods. She felt that this was strange. She explained that two months ago, the troop changed its meeting place from the American Legion Post to a barn at 681 E. Main Street Ext.

[REDACTED] then told me that Mark would occasionally grab his genitals while they were fixing up the barn. Mark, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] did most of the work. The three boys are patrol leaders. [REDACTED] was not sure if Mark ever did the same to the other boys while they were working.

The troop went camping Memorial Weekend, May 28-31. Since [REDACTED] was S.P.L., he was allowed to sleep in Mark's camper trailer. No other adults were along. [REDACTED] said that Mark wanted to give him a rub down. While he was doing this, he tried to get in [REDACTED] bunk with his sleeping bag. Finally, [REDACTED] gave in and let Mark pull down his underwear and masturbate him even though he had protested. Mark wanted [REDACTED] to do the same to him, but he refused. This was the end of the incident.

[REDACTED] said that the next day he told [REDACTED] that he wouldn't sleep in Mark's trailer any longer. [REDACTED] said that possibly [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had been involved with Mark, but he was not sure.

After about a week [REDACTED] told his mother. She and her husband called me. [REDACTED] feels that the [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] were not aware of what was happening.

Mark did not threaten [REDACTED] not to tell anyone.

[REDACTED]


David D. Pool

CONF008502

DYKES_I_006373

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Son - [REDACTED]

North Adams, MA 01247

Mr. [REDACTED] and David Pool met on June 9, 1976.
This is basically what was told to Mr. Pool:


I asked [REDACTED] to tell me about Mark and anything unusual that might have happened between him and Mark. I reworded this several times, but finally had to explain what homosexuality was. He finally understood and told me that Mark often grabbed his genitals and those of other boys while on campouts. He said Mark made jokes about "your ding-a-ling, my ding-a-ling".

Nothing happened to [REDACTED] while they were all working on the barn. He did remember [REDACTED] telling him that he did not want to sleep in Mark's trailer again. [REDACTED] also said that Mark would grab the boys' breasts occasionally.

[REDACTED] then told me that during the Memorial Weekend campout they had collected toads. While [REDACTED] (slightly retarded according to Mr. [REDACTED]) was in the bathroom they put them in his sleeping bag at Mark's urging. All the boys were sent to their tents and told to sing and make noise so that [REDACTED] would not hear the toads until he returned. When [REDACTED] returned, he got undressed and got in his sleeping bag. He began laughing at the toads and Mark began placing them in his undershirt and underpants.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]


David D. Pool

CONF008503

DYKES_I_006374

June 25, 1976

Mr. Robert B. Wood
Scout Executive
Great Trails Co. No.243

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re:Mark T. Bulshey

Dear Mr. Wood:

Thank you for your letter of June 21, concerning Mark T. Bulshey. We have placed this information in our file.

We do, however, need more substantiating information that will support our placing this man on the Confidential File. Please send us a more detailed letter concerning the facts in this case and also we would appreciate a signed statement from the people involved. This information is important for future reference purposes and it would certainly strengthen our position of refusing to accept any future application for registration we might receive from this individual.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which we would appreciate your filling out and returning to us as soon as possible, together with the above requested material. Unless we receive this material, it will be difficult to keep this man's name on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration & Subscription Service

af
Encl.

CONF008504

DYKES_I_006375



GREAT TRAILS COUNCIL, INC. #243

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

574 MAIN STREET

DALTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01226

413-684-3542

June 21, 1976

Paul Ernest
Registration Service
National Council, BSA
North Brunswick, NJ 08912

Dear Paul,

I would like to recommend that Mark T. Bulshey, 37 Fuller Street, North Adams, Mass. be placed in the confidential file. Mark is 21 years old, an Eagle Scout, and works for Sprague Electric in North Adams.

[REDACTED] contacted me on June 8, 1976, then in talking with their son, [REDACTED] on June 9th, he told me that Mark had sexually molested him while on a troop weekend campout May 28-31. He also said that Mark had made gestures and sexual contacts at other times.

I contacted another family - [REDACTED] their son [REDACTED] is friends with [REDACTED] and according to [REDACTED] would also have knowledge of this.

[REDACTED] with his father present, said that [REDACTED] came to him Saturday, May 29th and refused to sleep in Mark's trailer anymore. [REDACTED] did not know what had happened, but in further discussion said that Mark, on several occasions, made sexual contacts with him and other Scouts.

This along with several other incidents that happened that weekend, prompted Bert Sprague, Commander of the American Legion Post 125, sponsor of Troop 125, to relieve Mark of any authority with the Troop. He also instructed him not to have anything to do with the Troop in the future.

The committee chairperson and Mark's parents are aware of this situation at Mark's choosing. Mark has denied all this, but to date has taken no action on the accusations.

Approved

Sincerely,

Robert B. Wood
Robert B. Wood
Council Executive

David D. Pool
David D. Pool
District Executive

-n

Scouting is financed by the United Ways and Community Chests of Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin Counties and Sustaining Memberships.



CONF008505

DYKES_I_006376